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by Ellie Chester from Holme St. Cuthbert School

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A special thank you goes to Carlisle FC for their kind donation and hopefully with your support we can raise a good sum for the Silloth Lifeboat.

The shirt will be on display in C&D's Window, 8-10 Eden Street, Silloth.

#### 2012 EVENTS

18th June to 5th July Silloth Festival of Art 28th July **Abbeytown Carnival** 3rd to 5th August Olympic Scarecrow Festival 24th to 26th August Solfest

27th August Silloth Carnival

6th to 9th September Silloth Music & Beer Festival

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We are hoping for yet another wonderful day this year, with lots of fantastic acts planned for the day. We have booked some superb bands to escort you throughout the

Let's not forget "Spot On", they will sing and entertain everyone through out the day. In the main arena we have "The Black Rock Llama & the Fantastic Cheshire Dog Display

If being Queen is your dream!! Let us make your dream come true..... Please phone Diane on 016973 31237 or John on 016973 31873 or email: graham s14@sky.com (Silloth Carnival Secretary)

## Trawler Rescued by RNLI



Report & Photo by: Sue Kent, Silloth RNLI

Silloth RNLI volunteers rescued a 12 metre fishing vessel with two men onboard on Thursday 10th May after they got into difficulties in the shallow waters of the Solway.

The crew were paged at 2:30am to go to the help of the two fishermen. The propellers of the 20 tonne Silloth-based trawler had been fouled by ropes, immobilising the vessel and leaving it drifting dangerously into shallow water.

Force 4-5 winds and rough seas made conditions difficult and meant the trawler was at risk of running aground. The RNLI crew managed to get a tow rope onto the trawler and towed the vessel to safety.

Eddie Studholme, Silloth RNLI lifeboat operations manager, said the weather and sea conditions combined with the size of the fishing vessel meant this was a challenging rescue.

He added: 'Both the crew and our Atlantic 85 lifeboat performed brilliantly. The crew were all called from their beds to take part in the rescue but we launched the lifeboat within 8 minutes of the pagers going off and they worked brilliantly as a team to ensure the trawler and two men on board were

brought to safety. The trawler was much bigger and heavier than the lifeboat and the wind and sea conditions meant this was never going to be an easy job. But, with some difficult manoeuvres to tow the vessel back to port, the crew completed this rescue successfully and had the trawler back in port by 4:30am.'



Queen Bee by Kirsty from Holme St Cuthbert School

## Causewayhead WI

Report by: Pat Froggatt

The monthly meeting of Causewayhead W.I. took place on Wednesday 9th May at Trinity Methodist Church, Silloth. President, Olga Hetherington welcomed members and the meeting commenced with General Business.

The first item discussed was the Birthday meal at the Gin Case. All those members who attended this had thoroughly enjoyed the meal and it was a pleasure to return to the Gin Case.

Margaret Durham read out a report on behalf of Pat Bell who had attended the Spring Council Meeting with other members. This was a very comprehensive report giving details of discussions which had taken place and she also reported on the speakers at this meeting.

Invitations had been received by two other W.I.'s and lists went round for those interested in either meeting to add their names to the lists.

The Resolution on the need for more midwives was discussed and approved.

After a short break the evening was then devoted to a Beetle Drive - this is always a popular event and was

eventually won by Marjorie Roberts.

The Flower Competition was won by Jean Gibson with Ann Harrison taking second

The Competition for a Insect in the form of a picture or piece of jewellery etc. was won by Pat Froggatt with a picture of a beetle and second place was taken by Freda Garner with a plate depicting a butterfly.

The Raffle was won by Theresa Hutchinson with Sonia Sanderson in second place.

The whole evening proved to be a great success.

## Totem Pole for Silloth!

Report by: Clive Firth

"Totem Pole"

That's the problem! The word "Totem Pole". I mean the theme Totem Pole, seems to be stuck on the idea of how and what the Native

American Indians carved... Which is ok... But this is Silloth, so we should carve and or paint them, as we want and name them (if we must) as we please!

The name Totem Pole has stuck! However "Our Silloth Totem Poles will be individual and unique to Silloth.

At the first mention of the tree's being felled around Silloth Green during the Neighbourhood Forum meeting. I asked two main question's (Ok, they might not be anyone else's first choice of question, but I am a "Woody" so what do you expect?)... 1, What wood is it?.... 2, What is going to happen to it? Then after listening to we don't know and no idea's! I suggested..... Why don't we keep the wood in Silloth? We could use it for a Silloth project, something that the community can benefit from.

Then I suggested.... How

about the young people of the community working with the Solway Woodcarving Group, to design and make Totem Poles or Poles or benches or something that the young people think represent and like about living in and around Silloth?

The name Totem Pole stuck. The carving and how it is to be achieved, will be solely and unique to Silloth and the 'Well this is how the Indians did it, will not come into it! Why? You might ask. Well, I for one ain't going to start living in a Teepee, paint my face and I am well past been able to grow my hair long, let alone wear plaits! So the Poles, will be carved based on the brilliant design ideas of the young people of Silloth Junior School aged from 4 to 11 year old.

Well done to all!

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## Abbeytown Carnival

Report by: Sarah Kay

Plans for Abbeytown's 2012 Carnival have got off to a racing start with two very successful fundraising events now completed and preparations for another fantastic Carnival day well underway.

The fundraising commenced with a race night held at the Wheyrigg Hall Hotel back on the 24th March. In a break from the more traditional race night, with the races shown on screens, the Abbeytown event involved specially made wooden horses that were wound in by volunteer jockeys. The remaining participants placed bets with the odds being calculated based on the popularity of each horse. As the excitement of the evening intensified, the drink flowed, the bets increased and the volunteer jockeys became much easier to recruit! A disco and pie and pea supper rounded off a successful evening which not only raised valuable funds but was also a great night out! The Carnival committee are grateful for all those who bought (and named) horses before the night, the local businesses who sponsored the individual races, the Wheyrigg Hall Hotel who provided a tasty supper and a welcoming venue and the local community who came along and gave so generously on the night.

At the time of writing the final plans are in place for Abbeytown's annual fundraising Duck Race on the 16th June. The committee are hoping that a fine day will bring everyone out to support the event and

enjoy the post-race barbecue at the Wheyrigg.

Meanwhile, preparations are underway for Carnival Day itself which this year will be on the 28th July. Due to ongoing improvement work on the 'Rec.' the procession will start and finish from the school playing field. Despite this change of venue the Carnival field will feature all of the usual favourites to provide a fun-packed afternoon for the village and surrounding areas.

Brooke Steel has been named as this year's Carnival Queen and a team of willing volunteers are already getting out the stippling brushes to ensure that the Queen's float is worthy of its regal title. The Carnival Procession is only ever as good as the sum of its parts so it'd be great

to see some new floats and pedestrians this year. At a time when some villages are struggling to continue with their annual fetes and carnivals it's fantastic that Abbeytown still manages to produce such a spectacular turn-out but this can only continue with your support.

If you're not up for donning the fancy dress then volunteers are always needed to help on the day with setting up, stewarding and rattling tins! Please contact Emma on 07900 925827 or speak to any member of the committee.

More details, including a programme of the days events, will be advertised nearer the time or check out Abbeytown Carnival's Facebook page for breaking news and some great photos of previous events.



by Will from Abbeytown

## No Loose Ends Here!



Report by: Lesley Macbeth

If you thought you knew what patchwork and quilting was; then think again. With everything from bedding (quilts) through handbags, makeup bags, jewellery rolls and bespoke tailored garments; and a range of techniques from ancient and modern (see Brenda quilting with the aid of a teaspoon!) The group grows and develops by learning new skills and sharing sociable time in a generally assistive and cooperative way so that everybody gets something out of it and they all feel "wealthier" with each visit.

Check out Monday evenings (7 to 9pm) and Tuesday afternoons (1:30 to 3:30pm) see the ladies (why just ladies?) of Silloth with needle and thread in the "Patchwork and Quilting" group at The Space.

Initiated by Brenda "The Needle" Dowdell the group is developing its talents and is open to new ideas, and new people. Informal and not restricted to "courses" or a timetable, with a the mix of individuals, all working on their own projects, sharing ideas and skills. The group is only limited to the capacity of the space available.

Joiners can come any time, perhaps do a project and then drop out. So it's a social event too, with subs by the visit and enjoy a brew and a chat.

Socialising was never so much fun! Call in whether you are a Silloth resident or just here for a break, have a look, have a chat, learn a new skill or share one you have?

The group restarts on 24th and 25th September after a summer break, we look forward to starting with fresh ideas

## Coffee Morning

Report by: Pat Froggatt

On Saturday 5th May Silloth & District Pensioners held their monthly coffee morning at the Recreation Hall, Eden Street, Silloth.

This proved to be a successful and very lively event with many of our regulars and also a number of visitors attending. It is always a pleasure to welcome so many of you and especially visitors to our town.

The various stalls did brisk trade, and everyone took advantage of the coffee, tea, scones and biscuits that were on offer. It is always a delight to see so many happy faces and to listen to the buzz of conversation at these monthly events.

Raffle prizes were won by the following: Mary Graham, Betty Thorogood, Betty Graham, Pat Bell, Maureen Gray, Molly Mitchell, W. Ferguson, Margaret Peach, and Mary Eccles.

Congratulations to you all. The event raised approximately £177 for funds.

Many thanks to all who participated, and to the Committee for their efforts in making the morning such a huge success.



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## From India to Allonby



Report by: Lesley Hope

Allonby Primary School, with help from the British Council formed a link with "The Anugrah Foundation" in New Delhi, India. After much correspondence between the children & Heads of both schools our Head went to India for a week, to teach in their school.

The founder of The Anugrah Foundation is Mrs Simmi Kher who receives no funding from the Government; it is funded by Simmi who has another full time job to enable her to do this. The majority of the pupils come from the slum areas of Delhi. As well as providing the children with an excellent education, Simmi clothed many of the children and provides meals for them the six days a week that they are in school.

On 20th February, we welcomed Simmi to our school for a week. It was a very busy week. During her time in Cumbria, Simmi was invited to Silloth Primary School & Solway Community Technology College among others to talk about the Anugrah Foundation and her culture.

On one occasion we had four schools together to share an 'Indian Day" where the children rotated in groups participating in

different Indian themed activities. From the lovely thank you letters she received from the children, it would seem the most popular activity was the Indian cooking with Simmi.

In the evenings, Simmi was taken on various outings – a trip to the Lakes was a must along with a more local tour of the area. One evening we walked

around Grune Point, where she enjoyed the sights and scents of the gorse blossom; followed by a visit to Silloth Lifeboat Station where she thoroughly enjoyed being dressed up as a member of the Crew and sitting in the boat. During her time here, one of the many differences that Simmi commented upon, was how our pace of life was much slower and how beautiful the countryside was. Simmi has asked us to say a big Thank You to everyone who made her feel very welcome during her stay and despite feeling a little chilly at times, having left India's very high temperature, she would love to come back to visit Allonby and Silloth again.







## Silloth Carnival News

Report by: John Hope

As Chairman of Silloth Carnival Committee I would like to welcome everyone to this year's event on Monday 27th August. We have been busy all year organising another fantastic carnival and have it on good authority that the sun will shine!

Our main event in the arena will be The Black Rock Llama & The Cheshire Dog Display Team. There is also lots of entertainment organised for every age group on the day.

Each year we have asked if houses and shops will support us in the carnival spirit in decorating their windows.

This year our theme is 'Olympics in Silloth'. We have a 1st prize trophy for the best 'House Frontage' and a 1st prize trophy for the best 'Shop Window'. Judges will be visiting the week prior to the carnival. All houses on



the carnival procession route will be viewed.

Abigail Mossop will be handing over her crown to her successor. A new Queen has yet to be picked.

We hope as many as possible can participate in this years carnival, either in dressing up or entering a float. In the past we have had some fantastic floats and children's fancy dress. All children participating will

receive a goody bag.

Please see your carnival brochure for the categories.

Raffle tickets and programmes will be coming round very soon, this has always been a great way for us to raise money, so please dig deep and buy a book or two! Yet again we have some fantastic prizes to be won.

Lots of Carnivals have ceased due to lack of funding or volunteers and this is something that we don't want to see happening to Silloth.

As we are a very small committee we are desperate for volunteers to help us on the day. We would like to welcome Lisa Maddison who joins us this year as our Treasurer.

If you feel you could help us for an hour or two please contact myself on 31873 or Diane on 31237.

I hope to see you all there with your family and friends for a fantastic fun filled day.

## Armed Forces Day

Allerdale Borough Council is holding a short parade and flag-raising ceremony at Allerdale House on 25th June to mark the beginning of the week-long celebrations in honour of Armed Forces Day.

Councillor Carole Armstrong, the Mayor of Allerdale will lead a short procession including cadets, civic dignitaries and councillors from the top of

Miss Fraser by Jade Fearon from Silloth Primary School Allerdale House car park, down to the flag pole.

At 10:30am, the Mayor will give a short speech in honour of those who have dedicated their lives to serving the country in the armed forces. Reverend Rowe from St Michael's Church in Workington will

say a prayer as the flag is raised.

The procession will conclude at approximately 11am.

Invites have been sent to all town Mayors and all cadet forces across the borough. Members of the public are welcome to attend.



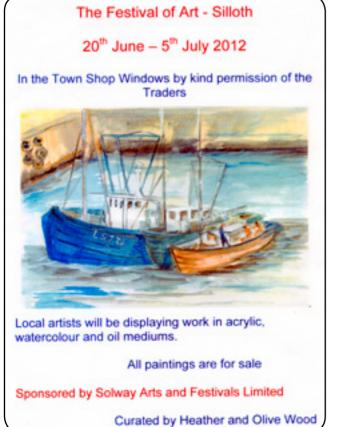
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# Thwaite U3A

Have you retired or about to do so? What are you going to do?

The Thwaite U3A group, (affiliated to the U3A, learning in later life) enables like minded folk to meet together to gain or share knowledge, and enjoy the company and the friendship of each other. There is a monthly pre-arranged programme with either a presentation/speaker, two external visits to places of interest (one usually a garden visit) and two luncheons arranged (one Summer & Christmas). (External visits and meals are not included in the Membership Fee).

New members are always welcome to come along and share in our meetings, a warm welcome awaits you.

Venue: All Hallows Community Centre, Fletchertown, near Wigton. Car parking available.

Time: 2pm to 4pm Refreshments available at a charge of 50 pence at the All Hallows C. Centre meetings.

Membership Fee: £14 per annum. Visitors £2 per meeting.

Meetings/Events: A variety of topics as per programme.

Dates of the meetings: 19th June, - external visit to Leighton Hall, near Carnforth. 17th July, Summer meal at

local hotel. 21st August, Migration of Clydesdale horses by Gilly Fraser Silloth Primary Jubilee Jamboree





Report by: Rachel Ingrams

18th September,- visit to Isel Hall, Cockermouth
16th October, "Speakability"
– Life after a stroke
20th November, presentation on St. Kilda by
June Hall
11th December – Xmas meal
at local Hotel.
15th January 2013, –
Interesting Ancestors – in
house session
19th February, The Eden
Valley, talk & slides by Iain
Parsons

19th March, Hypnotherapy
– Stress relief with Keith
Morley
16th April – AGM at All
Hallows Community Centre,

Fletchertown
For further information
do come along, or please
contact: Mrs. Bewley,
Chairman, Tel: 016973
49943. A warm welcome
awaits you – bring a friend.

Jubilee Jamboree at Silloth Primary School

The Jubilee celebrations started early at Silloth Primary School and what a fantastic time we all had!

The sun shone, the buffet was delicious and the children and staff looked amazing in their 'royal' costumes or in their red, white and blue.

We had Silloth's biggest ever picnic with all the children sitting on the grass, playing together and eating ice-cream...a really British way of celebrating our wonderful Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

It's been a pretty 'royal' week this week getting ready for the Jubilee celebrations in the town with choir practices, dance practices and art work all being done to get ready for the weekend of celebrations.

We have our fingers crossed that the weather holds as it did for us today, as we are all very excited about the festivities that the town has planned for us.





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## Silloth Community Craft Show

On the 2nd September 2012 it will be the 18th year of the Silloth Community Craft Show. The show began in 1994 in the Silloth Community Centre and was organised by the Committee at the time, as a way of bringing the community together, exhibiting their various talents and skills.

We received a grant from the Neighbourhood Forum enabling us to purchase 5 trophies – one for each section of the show & the 6th is an Overall Points in show trophy. 18 years later and the trophies are still fought for in a friendly but competitive way. 1996 saw the Management Committee cease as the Council took over the running of the Hall and the show moved to the Concert room in the Social Club.

Over the years the number of entries and visitors to the show has increased, but occasionally we still hear, "I wish I'd entered my Xstitch" or "I could've entered my gingerbread etc" Our message to you is - have a look at the schedule and please make this the year that you enter. Entries are judged (not by the Committee I hasten to add) but please don't let that deter you from entering. All the entries are always admired by the Judges and the visitors to the show, there are no negative remarks ever made about the entries, quite the reverse.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people and organisations who have given us their support over the years and hope we can rely on your continued support. A particular thanks to Silloth Social Club for the use of their premises over the years. This year, the show will be held in Christ Church Hall.

We look forward to welcoming you to the show on Sunday 2nd September as a visitor or as an entrant.

#### Sunday 2nd September 2012 from 11am – 4pm in Christ Church Hall

#### Children's Section

Class 1 Pre school children Picture of Me. any medium

Class 2 YR A painting of the Olympic Torch
Class 3 YR 1 & 2 Collage of 'The Seaside'

Class 4 Age 7 & under Handwriting, the following seven lines:

God save our gracious Queen Long live our noble Queen God save the Queen Send her victorious Happy and glorious Long to reign over us God save the Queen

Class 5 Age 8 & over A Cross stitch picture Class 6 KS1 2 decorated digestive biscuits

Class 7 KS2 2 Decorated Buns

Class 8 Any age Age to be shown 'Something made from a plastic

bottle', other accessories allowed

#### **Baking Section**

Class 9 4 Plain Scones

Class 10 4 Squares of Gingerbread Class 11 4 Shortbread Rounds

Class 12 4 Pieces of Tray bake

Class 13 Victoria Sponge – baked in one tin. No icing sugar on top

Class 14 A Homemade loaf- using a machine & Carr's flour, show pkt.

Class 15 A Home made loaf – using traditional method & Carr's flour.

Class 16 A jar of Apple Chutney

Class 17 A jar of Marmalade – Marmade allowed

#### Handicraft Section

Class 18 A Home-made Brooch – any medium

Class 19 A Hand Knitted Scarf

Class 20 A Tapestry Picture

Class 21 A Counted Cross Stitch Picture

Class 22 An Article of Beadwork

Class 23 An article of embroidery not included above.

Class 24 A Watercolour Picture

Class 25 A Photograph with a caption

Class 26 An article of appliqué

#### Floral Section

Class 27 A Rose in a vase

Class 28 3 Dahlias

Class 29 6 Sweet Peas – in own vase

Class 30 A Flower arrangement access allowed. 'Congratulations'

Class 31 A Home grown Foliage houseplant

Class 32 A Home grown Flowering houseplant

#### Garden Produce

Class 33 3 White Potatoes

Class 34 3 Coloured Potatoes

Class 35 3 Carrots Class 36 3 Beetroot

Class 37 3 Onions – from setts

Class 38 5 Shallots

Class 39 3 Leeks – trench grown

Class 40 5 Cherry Tomatoes Class 41 5 Tomatoes

Class 42 A Cucumber

Class 42 A Cucumber
Class 43 6 Runner Beans

Class 44 5 Vegetables in a box

Class 45 An unusual looking vegetable or fruit

Class 46 3 Hen Eggs

Class 47 3 Duck Eggs

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	Total:	
All entries must be returned by Fr	idav 31st August, t	o either

All entries must be returned by Friday 31st August, to either Lesley Hope, 30 Solway Street, or Audrey Maddison, 67 Wampool Street, or Silloth Tourist Information Office Only amateurs may enter the show. Strictly one entry per person per class. Any item having previously won 1st prize in this show – cannot be entered again, children's ages are as at end of July 12.

The room will be open for staging from 8:30am until 10am. Judging will commence at 10:15am PROMPT – all competitors will be asked to leave, regardless of whether they have finished staging their entries. Judges decisions are final – please put any complaints in writing to Lesley or Audrey.

### Please Note All Vegetables Must Be Grown By The Exhibitor.

Points are awarded to class winners as follows, 1st 3points, – 2nd 2points, & 3rd 1 point

Trophies are awarded for each section

of classes, this year the photographs are included in the handicraft section. Points are added up from all the sections for the Overall Points winner. The show closes to the public at 4pm, exhibitors are asked not to remove their exhibits before this time, doing so may forfeit any prize money or points. Classes 1 – 8 inclusive, entry 20p. All others entry 30p. Whilst all considerable care and attention will be taken of all exhibits, it must be understood that exhibits are displayed at the owner's risk. We will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to any article staged.

All entries must be returned by Friday 31st August, to either:

Lesley Hope, 30 Solway Street, or Audrey Maddison, 67 Wampool Street, or Silloth Tourist Information Office.

## Kids in Cumbria

Report by: Jennifer Rowlands



Kids In Cumbria is a free, quarterly magazine full of fun and useful information, articles and things to see and do in and around Cumbria.

This new venture was launched at Solway Community Technology College on 1st May.

Pupils from Solway were joined by pupils from Silloth Primary and Jelly Tots Nursery when Kerry and Teresa launched the very first copy with a fabulous cake and sparkly juice.

With features from local people, schools, businesses and agencies, it's a useful source of information for parents and carers too.

The first issue of Kids in Cumbria was distributed in May, and includes articles and features from Bullying UK, Heart Start, My Daddy's going away and Baby Sensory.

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## £400 Donation to RNLI

Report & Photo by: Sue Kent, Silloth RNLI

Funds were raised from the Scarecrow and Flower Festival which was held over three days in August last year and the funds raised were in aid of Silloth RNLI and Cancer Charities.

An Olympic Scarecrow Festival will be held again this year in the grounds of Chichester Hall, which will be open to the general public. The event will take place over the weekend 3rd to 5th August and will be similar to last year with various stalls, displays and refreshments. Silloth lifeboat crew will also be there again with their stand. The cheque for £400 was presented by Heather Sharpe on behalf of Jenny Wilkinson manager of Chichester Hall.

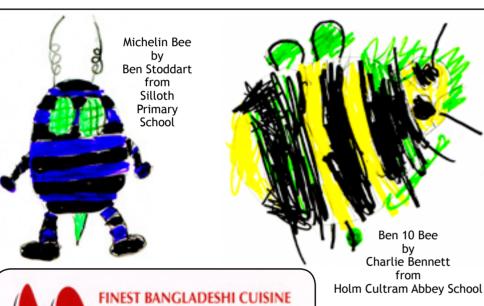
The festival is organised in conjunction with the Skinburness Residents Association and the proceeds raised from this years festival



Heather Sharpe presenting the cheque to Eddie Studholme

will be for the benefit of Pride of Cumbria Air Ambulance and Silloth RNLI lifeboat. Silloth lifeboat crew

would like to thank everyone involved for their hard work and dedication in organising the event.



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Tim Barker opened proceedings and set the ball rolling for what was a wonderful day. We were delighted with the number of visitors and particularly pleased to see so many former members of staff. Our 'History Room' exhibited memorabilia from down the years, including medical equipment and nursing aids, photograph albums and the Minute Books from 1862 to 1947, which proved to be of particular interest. Other attractions included a tombola stall and of course the famous Convalescent Home gingerbread stall.

Visitors were entertained



Staff who served the teas on the day

by Mr John Slattery, and we were delighted to see the Mayor and Mayoress of both Allerdale and Carlisle, Councillor Tony Markley and Mrs Mavis Baty who represented the Mayor of Silloth.

The Strawberry Cream Tea was free of charge to all as a special thank you for the support received from Silloth and our local community.

We managed to raise a grand total of £1,490 for the benefit of residents and the nursing home.

A big thank you to our residents, invited guests, visitors, members of Committee, League of Friends and staff for helping to make the day a day to remember.

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## Jubilee Weekend

Report by: Chris Graham

The first day of the celebrations, Saturday, was cooler in temperature than it had been but that didn't deter visitors and residents from visiting the Green to listen to the Harlequin Choir perform. Their harmonisation was wonderful and their rendition of Jerusalem combined with lyrics written by Claire Mattinson, Director of Harlequin Performing Arts to the music of Chariots of Fire brought a misty eye to some members of the audience. Dancers from Silloth Primary School and Harlequin gave some very polished performances and art work from the school showing some incredible talent which was on display in the marquee. Visitors were able to try their skills at skating on the rink and take advantage of the funfair whilst local band Wrigsby was the main entertainment of the day. Sarah Keavney offered free face painting and there were a number of children on the Green who had obviously taken advantage of this.

Weather wise, Sunday was very similar to the day before but the wind had dropped sufficiently for the Aqua Zorbing balls to be inflated and there were many interested visitors 'wanting to have a go.' Moky fitness instructors gave demonstrations of the routines they teach at classes in Silloth and joined in a spot of karaoke in between. The school choir, which had only rehearsed six times, gave a splendid performance and there were many proud parents watching on. The band, House of Three Hands entertained visitors in the run up to the talent contest which carried a cash prize of £100 for the winner. The judges for the contest were Frank Devine, a professional musician and song writer, Claire Mattinson from Harlequin and Elaine Johnson, a local resident. Contestants included musicians, Cinnamon, Wonder Boy and the Wolf, and Jonathan Kent with singers Naomi Winter, Sophie and Fred. The most unusual act was Evie Murray aged 5 who showed immense skill and showmanship by spinning multiple hula hoops simultaneously. After much consideration Jonathan was announced as the well deserved winner.

Monday dawned bright and sunny and attracted hundreds of visitors to the Green. People settled in for the day bringing picnics with them or eating from one of the food stalls that were there. The skating rink and aqua zorbing became busier as the sunshine drew people to Silloth. Entertainment commenced with Graham



## Lifeboat Wedding



Report by: Sue Kent

A surprise awaited Newlyweds Kev & Tanya Irwin after their wedding at St. Andrews Church, Silloth, on the 2nd June during Jubilee weekend.

Silloth RNLI lifeboat crew managed to keep the planned Guard of Honour a big secret from them both, which was quite difficult as Kev is part of the lifeboat crew himself.

The surprise they had on leaving the church when they saw the lifeboat crew kitted out in all their gear was a

delight to see.

It was a very moving and emotional moment for everyone involved.

Congratulations to Kev & Tanya, may they enjoy a long and happy life together from all of the crew at Silloth RNLI.

See Lots of Jubilee Photos on SolwayBuzz.co.uk



Brown and Sarah Kent and continued throughout the day until early evening with Cinnamon, Frank Devine, Wonder Boy and the Wolf, Jonathan Kent, House of Three Hands, Zoe and the Boy and finishing with the band, Life in a Glass House.

Throughout the three days Carlos was the very able compere and gave us many a song himself ensuring that the musical entertainment ran smoothly. At 10:26pm the Rotarian beacon was lit at the viewing point

watched by a large crowd. The three day Silloth Jubilee celebrations had finally finished but ended with a bang – fireworks! Silloth Rotary Club arranged for Silloth to have a Jubilee Beacon and this was lit by Lawrence Marshall followed by a short but spectacular firework display. After months of planning and a lot of hard work the committee of STAG breathed a sigh of relief when the event came to a close after a very successful weekend.

Silloth Tourism Action Group (STAG) would like to give their thanks and appreciation to all those who supported the celebrations particularly those who gave their time and materials free of charge. Our appreciation also goes to Awards for All who provided the funding to make it all happen. Thank you everyone.

If anyone would like to join this very lively committee please contact Chris Graham, Secretary on 016973 31698.





## **BMX Track Consultation**

Report by: Anna Malina

An open evening was held in the Community Hall on the evening of 30th May to provide information and listen to local views about the proposed BMX Bike Track on the Green. Well conducted public consultation is needed to supply Heritage Lottery with appropriate information before funding can be considered and released.

Some of the young people enthusiastic about building a BMX Track were on hand to provide information to members of the public attending the consultation event.

Stuart Graham began the discussion by explaining that a group of young people interested in designing a BMX track in Silloth had approached the Council with a proposal for a bike track. They had been busy planning an appropriate site and had been going around bike sites in the County to find out what worked best in other areas. One benefit they found was that bike tracks elsewhere tended to draw people to towns and could benefit the local shops there. Advice had been sought from Robert Mitchell, Green Spaces Project Officer, Carlisle who was responsible for the construction, design and maintenance of similar projects around Carlisle.

People attending the event asked a number



of questions which were addressed by both youngsters and councillors. Tony Markley asked the youngsters if the size of the track compared OK with the tracks they had visited. The youngsters said the tracks they had visited were often a lot bigger, but the smaller track they wanted to build in Silloth would suffice for their needs.

One problem outlined by a member of the public attending was related to danger for youngsters entering the BMX track through the same entrance that cars entered the car park. Reassurance was given, however, that the entrance to the bike track would be through a different entrance.

Feedback sheets from people attending the consultation included comments that would be included in the report to Heritage Lottery. Members of the public who had voiced

opinion supported the idea and no negative comments had been received despite the consultation being widely publicised.

When it was noted that the young people had already raised over £600 towards the proposed BMX track, Tony Markley indicated this was a fantastic start and he would investigate what support could be put forward by Cumbria County Council, at least to match fund what had been raised by the youngsters already. He noted that this was a project developed by the youth of Silloth and not by the Town Council, and said he felt the way the youngsters had raised money and approached the Council with their enthusiastic ideas and designs for a BMX track was to be admired. They had taken ownership of the project and, as future residents of Silloth, had taken on responsibility for what happens in the town.

## Green Re-Opening



Report by: Anna Malina

The sun shone brightly on the official opening of the Green on 20th May when the newly restored Pagoda, Edwardian toilets, events area, state of the art water play and woodland adventure area were unveiled.

Hundreds of people turned out to enjoy the new facilities and the additional entertainment on the Green, including a Punch and Judy show, bouncy castle, fairground rides and face painting.

The opening ceremony ribbon was cut by Tiffany Hunt from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Eli Baty, Mayor of Silloth and Norman Clarkson, Cumbria County Council Chairman.

Parents and other adults stood aside as younger children were invited to run onto the Green play area after the ribbon was cut. Their joy was apparent as they headed to the water and adventure play areas.

Just before the official opening of the Green, Lewis Graham joined by Solway Technology College students,



as: David Baker felt the new facilities were "awesome" and very good for children. He added "the new Green areas will attract lots of different people from around the country, and will also create lots of fun activities for local children."

A very positive start.



## Bag It & Bin It!

Allerdale Borough Council is encouraging residents and visitors to 'bag it and bin it' as part of National Poop Scoop Week. Councillor Michael Heaslip, Executive member with responsibility for tackling dog fouling, said; "We've said it before and we'll take this opportunity of Poop Scoop week to say it again: not cleaning up after your dog has fouled is disgusting. This council provides free poop scoop bags, so take them and use them.

"While the majority of dog walkers are responsible and pick up after their dog, a careless few are still giving dogs a bad name. We won't tolerate the actions of the irresponsible few; residents and visitors need to be aware that we are taking action to tackle dog fouling."

Dog fouling reportedly costs local councils over £22 million each year in the UK.

National Poop Scoop week is a Dogs Trust initiative that takes place every year in conjunction with local authorities and schools across the UK. Dogs Trust urges dog owners to 'Bag it and Bin it'; to pick up after their dog and help clean up public spaces.

Residents who witness dog fouling are asked to contact the Council and provide as much information as possible. To report dog fouling, visit www.allerdale. gov.uk/dogfouling, email customer.service@allerdale. gov.uk or telephone 01900

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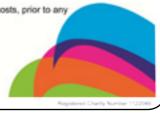
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## What a Wonderful Prom

Swan donned their 'Silloth

As the photos show, the

young reporters did a

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role of community reporters.

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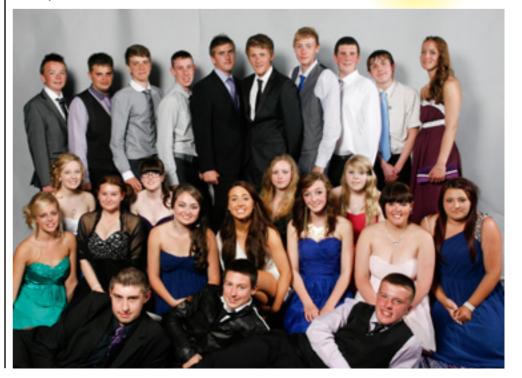
mood of the day. They also

recorded comments such

Pupils broke with tradition and moved their annual Prom from the school to Stanwix Park this year - and loved it!

They were all dressed to the nines and looked a million dollars, they truly are pupils to be proud of and enjoyed a wonderful evening of entertainment to mark the end of the school year.

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#### Children's Centre

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Open at other times when the rooms have been booked, if you wish to use the Centre please call to make arrangements. We are more than happy to show people around, chat on a one to one basis or in small groups.

Contact Numbers: Silloth CC - 016973 31230 Aspatria CC - 016973 22777 Wigton CC - 016973 49555

#### Arthritis Support

Wigton Area Arthritis Support Group meet on 1st Friday each month at Loveday House, South End, Wigton @ 1:30pm, details from Gladys 016973 43964

#### Silloth Tots/Toddlers

Silloth Tots & Toddlers meet in the Childrens Centre, Silloth and is open to all children aged from 0 to 4 accompanied by a parent/carer. Sessions are on:

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#### July

1st Silloth Festival of Art 2nd Silloth Festival of Art

Silloth Town Council 2nd meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Silloth Festival of Art 3rd 4th Silloth Festival of Art

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Richard Spiers, Along the

#### Silloth Festival of Art 5th

6th Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am Jubilee Quiz being drawn, all

Silloth & District 7th Pensioners Strawberry Tea at 2pm in St Andrews Church Hall

Sea Sunday Service in Silloth RNLI Lifeboat Station at

Causewayhead WI meeting in Helena Thompson Museum, tbc, walk, talk &

13th Christ Church & St Pauls Mens Choir Concert

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Abbeytown Carnival meet at 12:15pm, Parade 1pm

**English Golf Union** Amateur Championship at Silloth on Solway Golf Club

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Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Holme Low Parish 14th Council meeting at 7:30pm in Silloth Community Hall, Petteril Street, Silloth

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#### September

Silloth & District Pensioners Anniversary Coffee Morning at 10am in the Recreation Hall

Community Craft 2nd Show in Christ Church Hall, Silloth from 11am to 4pm

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Averil Dawson, Down Memory

#### 6th Silloth Music & Beer **Festival**

7th Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am

7th Silloth Music & Beer **Festival** 

8th Silloth Music & Beer **Festival** 

9th Silloth Music & Beer Festival

Causewavhead WI meeting in St Andrews Church Hall at 7:15pm, Razzle Dazzle Floral Art

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

#### October

Silloth Town Council 1st meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker on Parkinson's Research

Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

6th Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning at 10am in the Recreation Hall

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm, My life as a minister

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am



by Kia from Silloth Primary School

#### November

Skinburness Residents 2nd Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

Silloth & District 3rd Pensioners Pre-Christmas Tea at 2pm in st Andrews Church Hall

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Carol Purves, Chinese Whispers

Holme Low Parish Council meeting at 7:30pm in Silloth Community Hall, Petteril Street, Silloth

10th Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park

RNLI Race Night in 10th Silloth Social Club

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm,

#### December

Silloth & District Pensioners Annual Christmas Party

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

5th Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Christmas Dinner

Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

8th Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm,

#### January 2013

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm, members night

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

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## Letters

Dear Buzz,

I am writing to express my sincere thanks to all those very kind friends and neighbours who sent me flowers and cards whilst I was in hospital and on my return home. It was much appreciated. I am glad to say the convalescence is going well.

> Your's sincerely, Margaret Marr

Dear Buzz,

As a regular visitor to Silloth I read with interest, and amusement, the letter from the lady who was pointing out to the Solway Buzz readers that any donations in yellow bins are collected for the Air Ambulance in the North West and not for the Cumbrian Air Ambulance. I found it amusing as I live in Manchester and we regularly receive plastic bags asking for donations to support the Air Ambulance ... but guess what? ... our donations don't support the North West, they support Cumbria, so through your

letters page could you

please let your readers

case of "swings and

know that this is a definite

roundabouts" and either

support as they are both

way I am not bothered

which Air Ambulance I

equally vital?

Regards, Elaine McLelland Dear Buzz,

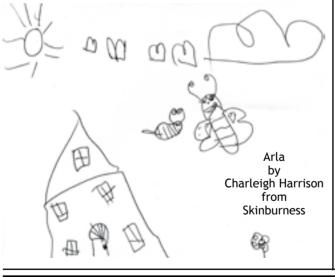
My daughter and her partner were in Silloth for a weekend visit and, whilst neither are especially fond of the town, their opinion has sunk to rock bottom. Out for a walk on the green at 8pm on a lovely summer evening, we first encountered a group of youths sitting outside the pagoda swearing and dropping litter and bottles everywhere. Then returning across the green opposite Lawn Terrace, we had to walk through a sea of chip wrappers, empty cans and bottles dropped by mindless morons who seem intent on ruining all the good work that's been done to restore the green. Add to this the Port Authority's apparent decision to close West Beach to families for the rest of the summer, rather than do the repairs to the car park and breakwater, it doesn't do a lot to encourage tourism. Thank goodness for the brilliant work done by Phillip and the other cleaners in clearing up the mess left by the yobs.

> Regards, Derek Bailey

Dear Buzz,

We would like to thank family and friends for the beautiful cards, flowers and presents we received on the occasion of our Golden Wedding on June

> John & Jean Graham Longcummercattiff



## **Poems**

Sixty Years On Poem by Jean Darling

The contents of the cupboard, mementos carefully hoarded A coin in its box, still shining brightly Sixty years on, evokes memories of times long gone. A sad parting of father and daughter A princess returning as a queen To rule henceforth through turbulent times

God Save Our Gracious Oueen

Still unforeseen.....

A baby born at this special time, The gift of a coin to commemorate Too young to know what it was all about Her mother had no doubt That the girl not born to this high station Would keep her pledge to serve the nation Throughout her life.....

Long Live Our Noble Queen

Looking back, sixty years on What went wrong? The war to end all wars was just a feeble Promise broken. Korea, The Falklands, The Gulf. Many lives to be destroyed, Some only boys Politicians came and went, Yet she was there Keeping her avowed intent To serve the nation through times unforeseen.

God Save The Queen

The child to be our future king, With privilege and wealth, But not everything was there, Especially a mother. Often in far off foreign lands Serving the commonwealth in her dedication Or side saddle reviewing the troops At her birthday celebration. The prince at a distance, looking on Joining in the anthem.....

Send Her Victorious, Happy And Glorious

Turbulent times were hers alone to bear, Joys and sadness that only a mother knows Yet she was there serving the nation, Showing no emotion, Steadfastly loyal.....

Long To Reign Over Us

The dawn of a new century - the Millennium Came with joy and passion. Let's look to the future, toast our people And our queen. "Pessimism is out of fashion" we said. The Diamond Jubilee then beckoned, Sixty years on, let's praise our queen. She kept her promise, whoever reckoned She would last this long? Steadfast and strong. Piercing the sky. Let's sing with voices high!.....

God Save The Queen

## Masthead Winner

Carlisle Embroidery are generously donating a Solway Buzz embroidered hoodie to the winner. This is in addition to the usual Winners Certificate and £5 Gift Voucher. So, come on kids, get drawing, the Buzz is always looking for more imaginative bees and yours might be the next winner. Send them in to the address on this page and a quality Solway Buzz embroidered hoodie from Carlisle Embroidery could be yours.

This month the winner is Ellie **Chester from Holme St Cuthbert** School with a bee called "Buttercup Queen".

Well done!





**Foot** 

Tel 016973 61440 Mob 07951 312513

**Sandra Hickebottom** 

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## Springtime Reads

Why not curl up with a good book?

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#### Celebrating 15 years of Harry Potter Magic

To celebrate the 15th anniversary of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, Bloomsbury is running a competition to find the UK and Ireland's biggest Harry Potter fan.

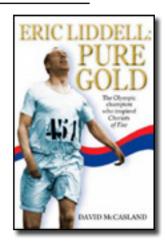
Bloomsbury is inviting fans of any age to write a letter, in fifty words or fewer, explaining why they love Harry Potter. The only way people can enter is by posting their letter in a special Harry Potter post box. All libraries in Copeland and Allerdale will have one of these post boxes.

The competition runs from Tuesday June 26th until Tuesday July 31st 2012. The first prize is a family holiday to The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal Resort in Orlando, Florida, plus a leather-bound, dedicated, signed and numbered copy of the anniversary edition of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. Fourteen runners up will also receive their own special copy of this book.

Eric Liddell: Pure Gold

Immortalised in the Oscar-winning film, Chariots of Fire, the Scottish Olympic gold medallist, Eric Liddell, abandoned sport at the age of 23 to become a Christian missionary in China. He had been born there and it is where he would spend the rest of his life. Later, he was so caught up in an even greater drama – war. Interned by the invading Japanese, he died, a prisoner, in February 1945 at the age

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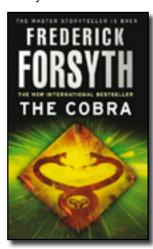
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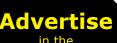


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## On the Water Front



Report by: Captain Slog (Assisted by Liz at John Stronach Shipping Agency)

May 2012

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As mentioned in the last issue, almost all commercial vessels arriving at and departing from Silloth, (and most other ports around the

in ballast to Sharpness.

world), are obliged by law to employ a local pilot to assist with navigation. Perhaps I should emphasise here, that the ship's Master is always in command of his vessel, but he will rely heavily on the pilot's local knowledge of how to enter and leave that port in a safe and seaman like manner.

Vessels bound for Silloth will signal advance notice of their estimated time of arrival (ETA) at the Silloth pilot station, to their local shipping agent who then passes it on to the Harbour Master and others who need to know. (In the case of Silloth, the shipping agent is J. Stronach Shipping Agency). The Harbour Master tasks one of the three, (including himself), locally licensed pilots for duties to that particular ship. Commercial vessels can only navigate the Solway Firth up to Silloth and back to

sea again during high water cycles, so the actual pilotage will usually take place on the next available tide, day or night, providing there will be a sufficient depth of water for that particular ship. The allocated pilot will

make his way by road to the port of Workington, where he boards a small pilot vessel, that will take him out to the pilot station located about 1.5 miles off Workington. The ship will have its anchor up and be ready to move at two hours before High Water, which is when the pilot will transfer to the ship. The passage from the pilot station, through a surveyed navigable channel to the port of Silloth, is about 15 nautical miles, during which the pilot will navigate and adjust the ship's speed so as to arrive off Silloth at about half an hour before High Water. Because of tidal currents of variable strength

dock entrance, coupled with the strength and direction of the wind, the pilot will use his expertise to judge the optimum time to make the entry with the ship, which is usually within the last 30 minutes before High Water. The pilot will undertake or closely guide the Master as to how to make the approach

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and entry, and at what speed. He will also undertake or assist with manoeuvring the ship within the confines of the dock, to put her safely alongside at the appropriate berth.

Departures usually commence from 1.5 hours to High Water. The pilot will board the ship in the dock and guide her out to the Solway Firth, through the navigable channel and on down to the pilot station off Workington, a passage of about 1.5 to 2 hours, disembarking down a rope ladder onto the pilot vessel for the passage back into Workington Dock. He then returns to Silloth by road.

The attached photo shows the m.v. "Wilson Cadiz, with a second shipment of wind turbines, manoeuvring and turning around in the New Dock, prior to berthing on 13th July 2011.

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## Thank You Carl



Carl Stanford and his Mighty Mini Seagulls

Report by Gareth Lewis

Silloth AFC would just like to say a massive thank you to Carl Stanford for the enthusiasm, dedication and hard work he has shown during his tenure as manager of the Mighty Mini Seagulls (Silloth AFC under 9s). Unfortunately due to work commitments Carl will not be continuing in his role as

manager next season and this will be a big loss for the club. Not only has Carl moulded the club's youngest players into a team that plays great football, but he has got them doing so with a smile on their face. Your contribution to the club will be sorely missed Carl and we hope that it won't be too long before you can rejoin the Seagulls!

## Silloth Pensioners Jubilee Tea Report by Pat Froggatt Photo by: Derek Shaw

The Committee of Silloth & District Pensioners organised a Jubilee Tea at the Recreation Hall, on Saturday the 2nd June. This was not just for pensioners it was open to all ages, both local and visitors to Silloth.

The Hall was beautifully decorated with flags and bunting and also pictures depicting our Queen's sixty year reign.

There was a choice of sandwiches, cakes and jam and cream scones which could be washed down with tea, coffee and fruit juice for the children. The raffle and tombola were well supported as was the cake stall. During the afternoon there was a steady stream of visitors of all ages thoroughly enjoying the fare on offer.

When the raffle was drawn at the end of the afternoon there were eleven lucky prize winners and also all the tombola prizes were taken during the festivities.

It was a pleasure to see so many people enjoying what turned out to be a very successful afternoon. In fact, the Committee were rushed off their feet making sure that everyone was served and that the sandwiches and cakes were always available as required.

Congratulations to the

Committee for all their hard work in making this event

The grand sum of approximately £400 was



## Thank You Andrew



Silloth AFC under 18s

Silloth AFC would like to say a big thank you to Andrew Murphy who is stepping down as manager of the under 18s after two years in the role. The commitment and enthusiasm shown by Andrew has been much appreciated by everybody at the club. The Saturday team and Sunday team have both reaped the benefit of his efforts with a number of promising youngster making the step up from the under

Andrew has been a great servant to the club and it is only fitting that I give the last word to him.

"I have enjoyed the last two years and saw a massive improvement towards the

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end of this season. Even at times when we struggled for players the lads never gave up. The second half of the season was excellent and the lads played well, as they passed the ball around and created chances. We where unfortunate not to find the net more often (as this surely was our only weakness this year), but we just couldn't finish the chances we created. Overall though a massive improvement."

## **Arthritis Support**

Report by: Gladys Temple

The Arthritis Support Group met at Loveday House and apologies were received from Mary Peile, Christine, Francis, Mary Thompson, Anne and Dorethy.

Gladys introduced Wendy to speak about Nia. Nia blends Eastern and Western movements, concepts and philosophies into exercises that inspire people to get healthy and fit. It is especially useful for people with mobility problems as it can be adapted for non weight bearing exercise. It is a combination of Martial Arts, Dance Arts and Healing Arts so is gentle but effective. Wendy explained how she started

doing this form of exercise and graduated to teaching it holding classes in various locations. She then showed everyone how to begin with gentle movements and took us through a short session of various movements which everyone found gentle but also strenuous.

Gladys thanked Wendy for an interesting afternoon.

Eleanor Hodgson won the raffle but as she won last month she passed the prize on and Joan Gilbertson won.

A list was passed around for names to go to visit Gaynor Davis at Ennerdale in August and members were reminded that next month Paul Gibson from The Cumberland Infirmary will be the speaker.

## Jubilee Windows

During the Jubilee Celebrations Weekend STAG ran a competition for the best dressed Shop Window based on the Jubilee theme. Over a dozen businesses took part and there were some very inventive displays were on

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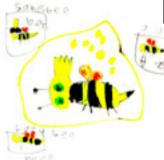
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The Seagulls Are Going Up!

Report by: Gareth Lewis Photo by: Eric Telford

The Seagulls got back to winning ways with a comprehensive 6-0 victory at Whitehaven Miners.

On paper Silloth had little to play for in their penultimate league fixture with promotion to the Tesco Premier League having already been secured, but there was never any chance of the players giving less than 100%. The Seagulls were looking to end a run of four straight defeats and get back to playing the passing football that had brought them so many impressive wins this season.

Silloth took the initiative early on and looked dangerous every time they got the ball forward. Andy Hardman put on a clinic as to how to lead the line, with his hold up play and distribution causing havoc in the Whitehaven defence. The Seagulls were creating plenty of good chances, but lacked the finishing touch in front of goal until an Adam Carr strike gave them a deserved 1-0 lead going into half time.

Silloth looked to build on their advantage in the second half and they did so in bizarre circumstances. When the Seagulls' captain Paul Hayton blasted a clearance from just outside his own area the last thing on his mind would have been scoring a goal, but that is just what he managed to do! His 90 yard thunderbolt took one bounce in the Whitehaven penalty area and straight over their goalkeeper's head. The keeper made a last ditch attempt at a save and looked to have kept the ball out,

but the linesman signalled that the ball had crossed the line and Paul had a late contender for goal of the season. To add insult to injury the Whitehaven stopper was then sent off for dissent as he furiously protested the linesman's decision.

Now facing only 10 men Silloth stepped up a gear and took complete control of the game. As wingers Andrew Trestianu and Sam Brough (who formed an excellent partnership with right-back Ryan Hanley) began to run riot on the flanks it was just a matter of how many more goals the Seagulls would score. Andy Hardman helped himself to a hat-trick which capped off a superb display and Luke Graham scored with only his second touch after coming on as a substitute (nutmegging the keeper with a shot from the edge of the box).

The final score was 6-0 to Silloth and manager John Slack was relieved to see his team pick up their first win in 5 matches. This was a much improved display from the Seagulls with a host of good performances all over the park (including youngsters Shaun Clark and Kieron Carr who once again impressed coming off the bench). Man of the match was Andy Hardman not only for his well taken hat-trick, but for being at the heart of all Silloth's attacking football.

The Seagulls finished the season off in style with a resounding 10-1 victory at home to Whitehaven AFC Reserves.

With promotion to the Tesco Premier League already secured the Silloth players were able to relax

and put on a superb display of passing football which has been their hallmark all season. The Seagulls set a high tempo straight from the first whistle with the central midfield duo of Calvin Rowell and Mark Glencross controlling possession of the ball. With the pace of winger Andrew Trestianu causing havoc down the left flank and Ryan Hanley delivering crosses with pinpoint accuracy from the right Silloth were able to keep the Whitehaven defence under constant pressure.

With so many chances being created it was a great day to be a centre forward and to say the Seagulls' strikers filled their boots would be an understatement! Both Andy Hardman and Adam Carr bagged themselves a hat-trick with finishing of the highest quality. Andy took advantage of the absence of team mate Andy Hinde to become the Tesco Division One's leading goalscorer, whilst Adam showed once again that on his day he is too hot for any defence to handle.

While they were never unduly troubled throughout the match the Silloth defence definitely played their part in the result. Marshalled by the experienced pair of Paul Hayton and Gareth Lewis the Seagulls kept things tight at the back. Those two along with the youngsters Dan Foster and Luke Graham showed great composure as they passed the ball out of defence rather than squander possession with aimless punts upfield. Luke also proved to be a threat going forward from rightback and some of his link up



The Seagulls after receiving their Tesco Division One runners up medals Back Row L-R: Graeme Dixon, John Slack, Robbie Carter, Mark Glencross, Andrew Trestianu, Paul Hayton, Dan Foster, Chris Telford, Gareth Lewis, Liam Wilson, Isaac Cork)

Front Row L-R: Kieron Carr, Shaun Clark, Luke Graham, Andy Hardman, Calvin Rowell, Ryan Hanley, Adam Carr

play with Ryan Hanley was outstanding.

Goalkeeper Chris Telford probably had one of his most memorable games for Silloth. After making some good saves he spent the final twenty minutes of the match at centre forward and chipped in with a couple of goals, including a thunderbolt from the penalty spot. The other goalscorer was Andrew Trestianu who rounded off a fantastic debut season for the Seagulls with a brace and the goal of game when he despatched a 30 yard Ryan Hanley cross-field pass with aplomb. Andrew also had a spell between the sticks when Chris went upfront and while he never had a save to make he could claim an assist from a long clearance!

Silloth's substitutes also played their part with Shaun Clark making a number of excellent tackles and Robbie Carter keeping the midfield ticking over with his accurate distribution of the ball. Man of the match was jointly awarded to the all the players as a reflection of how well the team played.

It has been a long season for the Seagulls and while they only missed out on the league title by one point they achieved the season's goal of being promoted to the Tesco Premier League. In the process of doing so Silloth have played some scintillating football and scored an unheard of 161 goals in all competitions (123 league and 38 cup). This is a credit to manager John Slack, his assistant Liam Wilson, but most of all to every player that has pulled on the Seagulls' shirt this season. Without their dedication to the cause Silloth would not be playing Premier League football in 2012/13.

I'd also like to say a special thank you to all our loyal fans (who have followed the Seagulls both home and away all season) as your support has been massively appreciated by everybody at the club.

We look forward to seeing you all again in August when Silloth take up the challenge of competing in the Tesco Premier League.

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Monday 30/4
Keswick Veterans 1 - 1
Silloth
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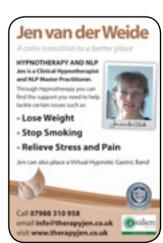


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## Record Entry For Silloth Open Brings Players Flocking To The Seaside

We had it all! Sunshine, The Jubilee weekend, the fair was in town, ice skating on the green, Silloth was totally packed and to top it all a record 108 entries turned up for the Silloth Open. With players coming from as far and wide as Inverness, Ayr, Glasgow, the North East, Liverpool, Manchester, Yorkshire, Cambridgeshire and Essex, the Silloth Open is fast becoming the second reason why Silloth is on the British Tennis map (the first is the fact that the grass for Wimbledon used to come from here).

With the event now being a grade 4, a quality field produced some very very good Tennis and event organiser and Referee David Wise commented on how pleased he was with the turn out. "With us being quite some way from Carlisle I



Leah Richardson from Silloth in action

always worry that people won't come, but this year has taken me by surprise". play and there is no better place to play Tennis than on the sea front courts here. It just goes to show what can be achieved by hard work, lots of planning and a great committee putting in the hard hours in the







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## Quarter Scorcher Snazer



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It was just by chance that Snaz got to ride at the Straightliners drag event at Kirkbride.

Terry Markham had planned riding his nitro burning Triumph 750 engined drag bike, but that morning twisted his ankle

"It really has been a team

effort and the committee

congratulated on putting on

on the LTA website at www.

The results can be found

members need to be

background".

a great show".

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while out jogging.

It was suggested that Snaz might ride the bike, so after ringing round he was found in the Albion and jumped at the chance.

After giving his helmet a quick polish the first run was a bit shaky, after setting off alongside the two bikes

before him.

Later in the day after cable tying the carbs on he rode up the quarter mile in a staggering 9.74 seconds at 157mph, chuffed to bits he celebrated with another beer.

Terry has decided that he is the ideal mount and is to ride at Santa Pod in July.



